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SUBSYSTEM: Noz. ASSEMBLY: Noz. FMEA ITEM NO.: 10-0 CIL REV NO.: M (E DATE: 10 A SUPERSEDES PAGE: 342- DATED: 31 J CIL ANALYST: B. A APPROVED BY:		Nozz Nozz 10-02 M (De 10 Ap 342-1 31 Ju B. A.	e Shuttle RSRM 10 le Subsystem 10-02 le and Aft Exit Cone 10-02-01 2-01-42R Rev M CN-533) or 2002 Iff. il 2000 Frandsen  K. G. Sanofsky	PART NO.: PHASE(S): QUANTITY: EFFECTIVITY: HAZARD REF.: DATE:	Fixed Housing-to-Aft Joint, Primary O-ring, with Retainer (2) (See Section 6.0) Boost (BT) (See Section 6.0) (See Table 101-6)		
				B. H. Prescott	10 Apr 2002		
1.0	FAILURI	E CONDITIC	ON:	Failure during operation (D)			
2.0	FAILURI	E MODE:		1.0 Leakage of primary O-ring	and any packing	with retainer	
3.0	FAILURI	E EFFECTS:	:	Failure could result in hot gas to loss of nozzle, causing a thruRSRM, SRB, crew, and vehicle			
4.0	FAILURI	E CAUSES (	(FC):				
	FC NO.	DESCRIPT	ION			FAILURE	CAUSE KEY
	1.1	Nonconforn	ming (	O-ring splice or repair			Α
	1.2	Nonconforn	ming (	O-ring and packing with retainer	dimensions		В
				king with retainer cut or damaged			С
				O-ring voids, inclusions, or subspacking with retainer voids or inc		s and	D
	1.5	Age degrad	dation	n of O-ring and packing with retainer			E
	<ul> <li>1.6 Moisture and/or fungus degradation of O-ring and packir</li> <li>1.7 O-ring gland or packing with retainer mating surfaces do surface finish requirements</li> </ul>			fungus degradation of O-ring and packing with retainer		tainer	F
				aces do not mee	t dimensional or	G	
	1.8	O-ring, pacl	king v	with retainer, or special washer i	mproperly installe	ed	Н
	1.9 Transportation, handling, or assembly damage						1
	1.10	Sealing sur	faces	contamination or corrosion			J
	1.11	Nonconforn	ming physical or mechanical properties			K	



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#### 5.0 REDUNDANCY SCREENS:

SCREEN A: Fail--The leak test procedure verifies the Packing With Retainers. The primary O-ring cannot be verified due to blockage of potential leak paths by sealant.

SCREEN B: Fail--The O-ring and Packing With Retainer failure cannot be detected by the crew.

SCREEN C: Pass--The O-ring and Packing With Retainer cannot be lost by a single credible cause or event.

The primary O-ring, and Packing with Retainer, together, form part of a redundant seal system at the Fixed Housing-to-Aft End Ring, Nozzle Joint (Joint 5). The Packing with Retainer will not be pressurized unless the primary O-ring fails. If the primary O-ring fails, the Packing with Retainer will be pressurized and still maintain a seal. If both the primary O-ring and any Packing with Retainer fail, a leak path will exist and could result in loss of crew and vehicle.

#### 6.0 ITEM DESCRIPTION:

The Fixed Housing-to-Aft End Ring Joint has a primary O-ring and Packing with Retainer. The assembled joint is shown per Figures 1, 2, and 3 for the nozzle nose-throat-bearing-cowl-housing assembly. Materials are listed in Table 1.

TABLE 1. MATERIALS

Drawing No.	Name	Material	Specification	Quantity
1U79153	Nose-Throat-Bearing-Cowl Housing Assembly, Nozzle			1/motor
1U75150 1U52833 1U52945	Packing, Preformed Fluorocarbon Aft End Ring Housing, Nozzle Fixed	Black Fluorocarbon Rubber	STW4-3339	1/motor 1/motor 1/motor
1U51369	Washer, Special	4130 Alloy Steel	AMS-6351 QQ-P-416	72/motor
1U75374	Packing with Retainer	4130 Alloy Steel With Fluorocarbon Rubber	MIL-S-18729, QQ-P-416, MIL-R-83248 Type I, Class 1	72/motor
1U76385	Screw	Alloy Steel with Cadmium Plating	FF-S-86 NAS 1351 QQ-P-416	72/motor
	Corrosion-Preventive Compound and O-ring Lubricant	Heavy-Duty Calcium Grease	STW5-2942	A/R
1U51916	Cartridge Assembly	Heavy-Duty Calcium Grease, Filtered and Loaded in an Application Cartridge	STW7-3657	A/R

#### 6.1 CHARACTERISTICS:

- The Fixed Housing-to-Aft End Ring Joint allows the fixed housing to be mounted to the aft end ring. The unit is assembled with O-rings and bolts (with packing with retainer and washers) to assure there is no leakage.
- The primary O-ring and packing with retainer, at the Nozzle Fixed Housing-to-Aft End Ring Joint, are designed so that seals maintain constant contact with their cavities at all times. Squeeze, fill, and tracking are taken into account relating to O-ring gland tolerance.
- 3. Packing with retainer, special washers, screws, and primary O-ring are one-time-use items.
- The joint and seals are an important part of the assembled rocket motor case. The assembled RSRM is a



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combustion chamber made up of segments and the nozzle. It is sealed with O-rings and packing with retainer, and must contain and direct pressure generated by burning propellant.

#### 7.0 FAILURE HISTORY/RELATED EXPERIENCE:

Current data on test failures, flight failures, unexplained failures, and other failures during RSRM ground processing activity can be found in the PRACA database.

8.0 OPERATIONAL USE: N/A



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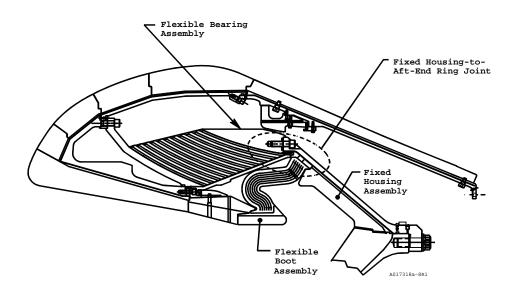


Figure 1. Fixed Housing-to-Aft End Ring Joint Location

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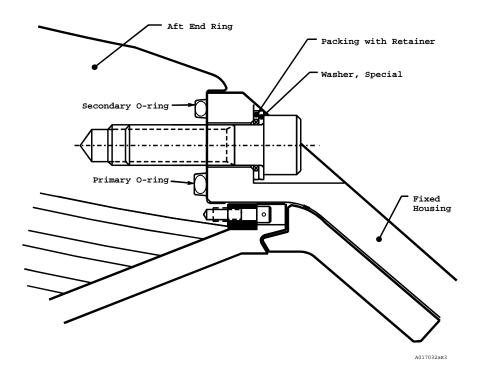


Figure 2. Fixed Housing-to-Aft End Ring Joint Packing with Retainer

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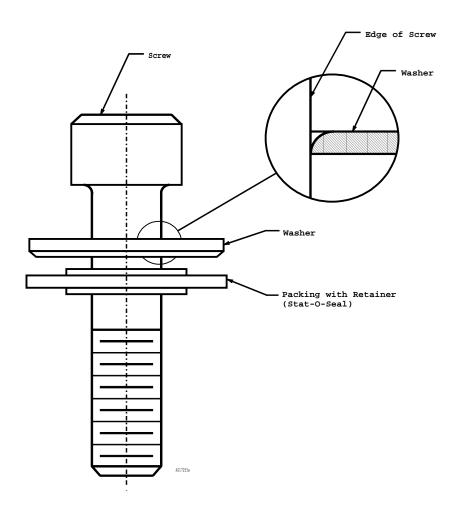


Figure 3. Packing with Retainer, Washer, and Screw Assembly

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9.0 RATIONALE FOR RETENTION:

## 9.1 DESIGN:

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Α	1.	Large O-rings are per engineering that covers process controls for fabrication of spliced joints and repairs.
Α	2.	Splice joints are cut on an angle and bonded together in a mold (using 100 percent of the scarf area) using an adhesive with the same physical and chemical properties as the parent stock.
Α	3.	Packing with retainer is a net-molded seal with no splices.
A,D	4.	O-rings were tested to determine size and types of flaws that could cause sealing problems per TWR-17750 and TWR-17991.
A,B,C,D,G,H,I,J	5.	A pressure test is performed per engineering. This test verifies the packing with retainer seal but the primary O-ring, is not conclusively verified due to possible masking of potential leak paths by joint sealants.
В	6.	Large O-ring dimensions are determined by Thiokol Design Engineering calculations for squeeze, tracking, and fill per TWR-15771.
В	7.	Criteria determining primary O-ring dimensions are per TWR-15771.
В	8.	Primary O-ring design provides constant contact between the O-ring and mating sealing surfaces.
B,D	9.	Packing with retainer is per engineering that establishes geometric dimensions and fabrication details.
C,H	10.	Large O-rings are individually packaged per engineering.
С	11.	Packing with retainer is individually packaged per engineering.
С,Н	12.	Large O-ring design allows for a minimum of stretching during installation without damage to the O-ring per engineering.
C,H	13.	The packing with retainer, special washer, and screw are installed per engineering.
С	14.	Material selection for O-ring and packing with retainer elastomer was based in part on resistance to damage per TWR-17082 and TWR-17155.
Н	15.	Use of packing with retainer is qualified per TWR-17078 and TWR-17155.
С,Н	16.	Design development testing of O-ring twisting and its effect on performance is per ETP-0153 and TWR-17991.
Н	17.	Packing with retainer rubber is mechanically and adhesively bonded to the retainer. The mechanical bond is built into the design of the retainer.
D	18.	Large O-rings are per engineering that establishes geometric dimensions and fabrication details.
D	19.	Acceptance criteria for packing with retainer elastomer defects are per engineering.



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Е	20.	Fluorocarbon rubber O-rings are suitable for perio (O-ring Handbook, ORD 5700, Copyright 1982, by KY). Environment and age are significant to usef actual service as follows:	/ Parker Seal Group	, Lexington,
		<ul> <li>O-rings are packaged and stored to preclude grease, ultraviolet light, and excessive temper</li> </ul>		ed by ozone,
E	21.	Large O-ring time duration of supplier storage and is per engineering.	total shelf life prior t	o installation
E	22.	Packing with retainer time duration of supplier sto installation is per engineering.	orage and total shel	f life prior to
Е	23.	Aging studies of O-rings after 5 years installation li are also applicable to all RSRM fluorocarbon sea tracking ability and resiliency. Fluorocarbon was capability over 5 years per TWR-65546.	ls. Fluorocarbon m	aintained its
E	24.	O-rings and packing with retainer are one-time-use	items.	
Е	25.	Grease is stored at warehouse-ambient conditemperature and relative humidity experienced by enclosed warehouse, in unopened containers, or after each use. Storage life under these conditions	the material when containers that we	stored in an
Е	26.	Aging studies to demonstrate characteristics of grewere performed on TEM-9. Results showed to corrosion protection for D6AC steel, and that all claremained intact per TWR-61408 and TWR-64397.	hat grease provide	d adequate
E	27.	Large O-rings, packing with retainer, and filtered segment life verification.	grease are include	ed in the aft
F	28.	Large O-rings are black fluorocarbon rubber.		
F	29.	Packing with retainer sealing material is fluorocarbo	on rubber.	
F	30.	O-ring swell is negligible unless the O-ring und immersion (O-ring Handbook, ORD 5700, Copyrig Lexington, KY).	ergoes a long peri ht 1982, by Parker	od of water Seal Group,
F	31.	Fluorocarbon rubber is a non-nutrient to fungus 5700, Copyright 1982, by Parker Seal Group, Lexin		dbook, ORD
F	32.	Large O-ring and packing with retainer are kept dry	and clean prior to p	ackaging.
G	33.	Primary O-ring gland design is per engineering dimensions determined by Thiokol Design Engine fill, and tracking per TWR-15771.		
G	34.	Surface finish on the fixed housing packing with engineering drawings.	retainer sealing su	rface is per
G	35.	Screw dimensional and surface finish requirements	are per engineering	drawings.
G	36.	Washer, Special and Packing with Retainer di drawings.	mensions are per	engineering



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G	37.	Sealing surface requirements during refurbishment and specifications.	it are per engineeri	ng drawings
G	38.	The special washer and screw are one-time-use ite	ms.	
1	39.	Transportation and handling of nozzle assembly ite	ms by Thiokol is per	IHM 29.
1	40.	The RSRM and its component parts, when protected are capable of being handled and transported by rate from fabrication, test, operational launch, recoversites.	il or other suitable m	neans to and
I	41.	Positive cradling or support devices and tie down weight, and contour of components to be transpressed segments and other components. Shock devices are used on trucks and dollies to move sen	ported are provided mounting and other	d to support er protective
1	42.	Support equipment used to test, handle, transport the RSRM is certified and verified per TWR-15723.	, and assemble or	disassemble
I	43.	The nozzle assembly is shipped in the aft segment and vibration levels are monitored per engineering aby analysis. Monitoring records are evaluated livibration levels per MSFC specification SE-019-049 16975 documents compliance of the nozzle specifications.	and applicable loads by Thiokol to verify 9-2H were not excee	s are derived shock and eded. TWR-
I	44.	Analysis is conducted by Thiokol engineering to a response of the RSRM nozzle during transportation launch sites per TWR-16975.		
J	45.	Filtered grease is applied to sealing surfaces of cowl-housing assembly during final assembly process.		roat-bearing-
J	46.	Filtered grease filtering is per engineering to contro	contamination.	
J	47.	Removal of surface contamination or corrosion is whenever contamination or corrosion is noted.	a standard shop p	ractice used
J	48.	Contamination control requirements and procedure	s are per TWR-1656	64.
K	49.	Packing with retainer material requirements are per	engineering as follo	ows:
		<ul> <li>a. The retainer is a heat treated 4130 alloy s cadmium plating per Federal Specifications.</li> <li>b. Sealing material is high-temperature, low-c fluorocarbon rubber.</li> </ul>		
К	50.	Large O-rings are high-temperature, low-compre fluorocarbon rubber.	ssion set, fluid-res	istant, black
K	51.	Washer, Special material requirements are per eng	ineering as follows:	
		<ul><li>a. Heat treated alloy steel per MIL specifications</li><li>b. Cadmium plated per engineering</li></ul>		
К	52.	Mechanical properties of the Screw are per engineer	ering.	

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- 53. Filtered grease is per engineering drawings and conforms to material requirements determined by Thiokol engineering.
- Κ 54. Temperature prior to launch is monitored for the nozzle flexible bearing and the case-to-nozzle joint and is maintained to requirements per TWR-15832. The fixed housing-to-aft end ring joint is within the temperature maintained area and benefits from temperature conditioning. Joint thermal analysis (O-ring resiliency testing) is per ETP-0276 and TWR-18597.
- B,G,I 55. Analysis of carbon-cloth phenolic ply angle changes for the nozzle was performed. Results show that redesigned nozzle phenolic components have a reduced inplane fiber strain and wedge-out potential per TWR-16975. New loads that were driven by the Performance Enhancement (PE) Program were addressed in TWR-73984. No significant effects on the performance of the RSRM nozzle were identified due to PE.
- 56. Thermal analysis per TWR-17219 shows the nozzle phenolic meets the new 533 B,G,I performance factor equation based on the remaining virgin material after boost phase is complete. This performance factor will be equal to or greater than a safety factor of 1.4 for the fixed housing assembly per TWR-74238 and TWR-75135. (Carbon phenolic-to-glass interface, bondline temperature and metal housing temperatures were all taken into consideration). The new performance factor will insure that the CEI requirements will be met which requires that the bond between carbon and glass will not exceed 600 degree F, bondline of glass-tometal remains at ambient temperature during boost phase, and the metal will not be heat affected at splashdown.



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9.2 TEST AND INSPECTION:

 $\begin{array}{cc} & \text{FAILURE CAUSES and} \\ \underline{\text{DCN}} & \underline{\text{TESTS}} & (\underline{\text{T}}) \end{array}$ 

**CIL CODES** 

1. For New Nose-Throat-Bearing-Cowl Housing Assembly, Nozzle verify:

A,B,C,D,			
G,H,I,J (T)	a.	Joint seals are pressure tested	ADQ114
H	b.	Correct identification of primary O-ring at time of installation	ADQ052
Н	C.	Correct identification of packing with retainer at time of installation	ADQ054
C,H	d.	Installation and fit of primary O-ring	ADQ079
C,H,J	e.	Packing with retainer is properly installed and free of contamination	ADQ191
H	f.	Fixed housing to aft end ring screw torquing sequence	ADQ233
C,H	g.	Washer, Special, is installed with radius side toward head of fixed	
	Ū	housing to aft end ring screw	ADQ241
Н	h.	Amount of torque used on each fixed housing to aft end ring screw	ADQ262
C,H	i.	Condition of primary O-ring after installation into O-ring groove	ADQ001
H,J	j.	Application of filtered grease to Aft End Ring O-ring grooves prior	
		to assembly	ADQ012
Н	k.	Application of filtered grease to primary O-ring prior to assembly	ADQ021
H,J	l.	Application of filtered grease to packing with retainer prior to installation	ADQ026
H,J	m.	Filtered grease is applied to Housing, Nozzle Fixed packing with	
		retainer sealing surfaces	ADQ027
С	n.	Primary O-ring is free from damage prior to installation	ADQ159
C,I	Ο.	Packing with retainer is free from damage prior to filtered grease	
_		application	ADQ244
E E	p.	Shelf life of the filtered grease was not exceeded prior to use	LAA049
E	q.	Primary O-ring shelf life has not expired	ADQ176
E	r.	Packing with retainer shelf life has not expired	ADQ251
E	S.	Primary O-ring packaging was not damaged or violated prior to	A D O 475
_		installation	ADQ175
E	t.	Packing with retainer packaging is not damaged just prior to installation	ADQ252
F	u.	Primary O-ring is free from fungus prior to installation	ADQ162
F F	٧.	Primary O-ring is free from moisture prior to installation	ADQ163
Г	W.	O-ring grooves in the Aft End Ring are free from fungus prior to	ADO169
F	v	assembly O-ring grooves in the Aft End Ring are free from moisture prior to	ADQ168
ŗ	Х.	assembly	ADQ170
F	у.	Packing with retainer is free from fungus prior to filtered grease	ADQIIO
ı	у.	application	ADQ247
F	Z.	Packing with retainer is free from moisture prior to filtered grease	/ LD QL II
•	۷.	application	ADQ248
1	aa.	Fixed housing to aft end ring screw is free from damage prior to	, 15 Q2 10
•		installation	ADQ190
	ab.	O-ring grooves in Aft End Ring are free from damage prior to assembly	ADQ206
I	ac.	Sealing surfaces on Housing, Nozzle-Fixed forward end are free	
		from damage prior to assembly	ADQ207
1	ad.	Washer, Special, is free from damage prior to installation	ADQ240
1	ae.	Packing with retainer sealing surface is not damaged prior to	
		inserting fixed housing to aft end ring screw	ADQ250
J	af.	Sealing surfaces on Housing, Nozzle-Fixed forward end are free	
		from corrosion and contamination prior to assembly	ADQ202
J	ag.	O-ring grooves in Aft End Ring are free from corrosion and	
		contamination prior to assembly	ADQ208
J	ah.	Fixed housing to aft end ring screw is free from contamination	
		and corrosion, prior to installation	ADQ232
J	ai.	Washer, Special, is free from contamination and corrosion prior	



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		to installation	ADQ239
J		<ul> <li>aj. Packing with retainer is free from contamination and corrosion prior to filtered grease application</li> </ul>	ADQ246
	2.	For New Large O-ring verify:	
A A A A A A,D (T) A,C,D A,K (T) B B E,F		b. Splice is bonded over 100 percent of the scarf area c. No more than five splices d. Repairs e. Adhesive is made from fluorocarbon rubber f. Splice bond integrity g. Subsurface indications h. Surface quality i. Tensile strength j. Ultimate elongation k. Diameter l. Correct identification AEB014, AEB015, AEB018, AEB087, AEB	,AEB027 ,AEB134 ,AEB169 ,AEB266 ,AEB311 ,AEB319 ,AEB354 ,AEB389 ,AEB402 ,AEB443 ,AEB023 ,AEB100 ,AEB179
E,F,K E,F F K (T) K (T) K (T)	3.	n. Material is fluorocarbon rubber o. Packaging is free of staples or other objects p. Clean and dry when packaged AEB034	,AEB151 LAA054 ,AEB031 ,AEB396 AGW075 AGM312
B B B C,H C,E,F C,D F,K F K K K K K K K	4.	b. Seal thickness dimension "D" c. Retainer thickness dimension "E" d. Diameter "C" e. Rubber is adhesively bonded to each retainer f. Each packing with retainer is packaged in the correct material g. Surface quality h. Seal material is fluorocarbon rubber i. Seals are clean and dry when packaged j. Retainer is chrome moly steel k. Heat treat tensile strength	,LAA026 5,LAA027
E,F,J,K E,F,J,K E,F,J,K E,F,J,K E,F,J,K E,F,J,K E,F,J,K	5.	b. Shelf life of the grease, prior to filtering A	ACP015 AMB018L ANO064 LAA044 LAA046 LAA047 LAA063

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E,F,J E,F,K E,F K K K	(T) (T) (T)		<ul> <li>a. Material received in closed containers</li> <li>b. Type</li> <li>c. No shipping or handling damage</li> <li>d. Penetration</li> <li>e. Dropping point</li> <li>f. Zinc concentration</li> </ul>	ANO015 ANO050 ANO058 LAA037 ANO042 LAA038
		6.	For New Washer, Special verify:	
G G G K K K			<ul> <li>a. Outside diameter</li> <li>b. Inside diameter</li> <li>c. Thickness</li> <li>d. Surface finish</li> <li>e. Material is 4130 steel</li> <li>f. Heat treat tensile strength by hardness che</li> <li>g. Cadmium plate</li> </ul>	ACA033 ACA018 ACA043 ACA022 ACA000 ck CIC009 ACA038
		7.	For New Aft End Ring verify:	
G G G			<ul><li>a. O-ring groove depth</li><li>b. O-ring groove diameter</li><li>c. O-ring groove surface finish</li><li>d. O-ring groove width</li></ul>	ADE044 ADE046 ADE047,ADE048 ADE054
		8.	For Refurbished Aft End Ring verify:	
G			a. O-ring groove surface finish	ADE068
		9.	For New Housing, Nozzle-Fixed verify:	
G G		40	<ul><li>a. Diameter</li><li>b. Surface finish</li></ul>	ADV030 ADV186A,ADV187A,LAA139,LAA140
		10.	For Refurbished Housing, Nozzle Fixed verify:	
G			a. Surface finish	ADV192
		11.	For New Screw verify:	
G G G J,K K K K K K K K K	(T) (T)		<ul> <li>a. By lot sample shank surface finish</li> <li>b. By lot sample shank diameter</li> <li>c. By lot sample grip length</li> <li>d. Cadmium plating</li> <li>e. Material (chemical and physical properties)</li> <li>f. Breaking strength</li> <li>g. Magnetic-particle inspection</li> <li>h. Stress durability testing</li> <li>i. Stress relieved</li> <li>j. Embrittlement relieved</li> <li>k. Locking element</li> </ul>	AHA002 AHA001 AHA000 LAA031 LAA029 LAA030 LAA032 LAA033 LAA034 LAA035
		12.	KSC verifies:	
E			a. Life requirements for the expected launch s OMRSD File II, Vol III, C00CA0.030	chedule are met per OMD019